

2011 "VOLUNTEERS WORKING WITH INVASIVES" GRANTS REPORT FORM

Display Report

PROJECT BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Project Title:	Invasive Species Management with Volunteers	
Region: Use region number ONLY	1	
Station:	Willamette Valley NWRC	
Contact Person: Name and Phone Number	Jock Beall (541)757-7236	
Project Description: (Up to 250 words)	Volunteers worked with refuge staff to survey for and treat invasive species on the Willamette Valley Refuges (Ankeny, Baskett Slough and WL Finley NWR). Over 600 acres were treated for invasives and 35 acres were replanted with native grasses/forbs. An additional 800 acres were surveyed and/or monitored with detection and future treatments as the objective.	
List of Invasives Species Targeted:	Common Name	Scientific Name
	Scotch Broom	
	Armenian Blackberry	
	Tansy Ragwort	
	Purple Loosestrife	
	Oxeye Daisy	
	Meadow Knapweed	
	English Ivy	
	Douglas Fir	
Project Status:	Completed	
Project Completion Date or Estimated Completion Date: (mm/dd/yyyy)	10/31/2011	

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Volunteer Affiliation:	VA FriendsGrp	VA SchoolGrp	VA Other
(Check all that apply)	VA_i Heliusdip	VA_3criboldrp	VA_Other

Volunteer Involvement: Describe the type of work the volunteers performed. (Up to 150 words)	Volunteers assisted staff surveying and documenting target invasives w/in specific habitats. Invasives were hand pulled or treated mechanically and/or with herbicide. Douglas fir are considered an invasive in oak habitats. Natives were planted in treated areas. Several OSU volunteers were fire qualified and assisted with prescribed fire treatment on invasives.
Total Number of Volunteers:	> 160
Total Number of Volunteer Hours:	760
Partnerships: List both new and existing partnerships utilized in this project. (Up to 150 words).	Audubon Society of Corvallis, Oregon State University, Friends of Willamette Valley NWRC

PROJECT RESULTS

Project Results: Give an overview of the results of the project. Include quantifiable measure of success, such as maps produced, efficacy of control measures, number of sites where invasions were detected early and responded to, number of community contacts, etc. (Up to 250 words).	Scotch Broom, tansy ragwort, English ivy, purple loosestrife and Oxeye daisy were hand pulled prior to seed dispersal. Volunteers helped with fir slash cleanup in oak management sites and participated in burns over 150 acres. Blackberry infestations were treated mechanically by equipment-certified volunteers. Native planting was successful as a community participation event (upwards of 100 volunteers), restoring native upland prairie habitat and promoting natives in the vicinity of the new refuge office.
Number of Acres Treated:	670
Number of Acres Inventoried and/or Mapped:	800
Number of Acres Restored:	35

BUDGET INFORMATION

Budget: Account for funds in broad categories such as equipment, volunteer stipends, travel, coordinator salary/contract, etc.

Total Grant Amount:	\$ \$20,000
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Breakdown of Expenditures:

Category	Total \$ Spent	% of Total Grant
Equipment / Supplies	500	3%
Chemical	1000	5%
Biocontrol Agents	N/A	
Travel	N/A	
Volunteer Stipends	N/A	
Volunteer Coordinator Salary/Contract	17,000	85%
Restoration Materials	1500	7%
Other		
TOTAL		

Recommendations: (OPTIONAL)
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How useful was this program for meeting refuge invasive species objectives and how can it be improved?

This program is invalauble to cover costs of staff that serve as volunteer/project coordinator. It also allows the refuge to maintain emphasis on invasive management, and promote that with the public as well as support meaningful volunteer efforts,

with accomplishments that would not otherwise be completed.

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